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Mr Duff Cooper Paris 540 Dated 16 June Received 17 June	Suspect Shipping: President Warfield Refs to Marseilles (E5187/48/C) Reports that President Warfield will be held at Port de Bone.	
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FROM PARIS TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Mr. Duff Cooper. D. 7.13. p.m. 16th June 1947.
No. 540.
16th June 1947. R.10.55. p.m. 16th June 1947.
Repeated to Marseilles.

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IMPORTANT

Confidential. *To 70 81 E*
Marseilles telegram No. 62 to Paris.
President Warfield.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs state that French Merchant Marine authorities have taken immediate steps to hold vessel at Port de Bouc. They already have indications that arrangements on board for safety of life at sea are not satisfactory. They have also noted that her certificate of seaworthiness is valid only for coastwise traffic.

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Illegal immigration

Lord Saverchapel
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3462
Dates 16 June
Received 17 June

Reps to F.O. 5738 (E5001/48/G)
Reports conversation between
Labour Attaché and Mr Green
& Mr Murray.

Last Paper.

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(Minutes.)

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FROM WASHINGTON TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Lord Inverchapel.
No. 3462.

D. 9.57. p.m. 16th June
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16th June 1947.

R. 4.25. a.m. 17th June
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Your telegram No. 5738: Jewish Illegal Immigration.

The Labour Attaché has had some discussion about this with William Green and Philip Murray both of whom state that their organisations have contributed no funds for Jewish Illegal immigration. They were also unaware of any such contributions by their affiliated unions.

2. Both Green and Murray are opposed to the campaign for illegal immigration and emphasised to the Labour Attaché that they would not countenance the provision of funds for this purpose. They did not deny that contributions may have been made by isolated unions or individual members to certain committees but such indirect help would not amount to much and in the absence of any violent change for the worse would tend to decrease. They had no idea how much such contributions might amount to.

3. As you may know Green who is subjected to powerful Jewish pressure in New York has recently made some unhelpful remarks about Palestine of which many of his colleagues disapprove and I intend to see him and mean to have a general talk on the subject with them. I am confident that this will do good.

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Superior ships: ss. Paducah
Refs to F.O. 61 Y (R. 12/12/46) 393
Reports that Paducah
is due to arrive at Bayonne.
Northlands is also at
Bayonne

(Minutes.)
This telegram was discussed at the meeting of
the Working Party on 18th June. The Working Party
decided that early information of these two
reports was essential.
Telegram to Bordeaux accordingly.
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FROM BORDEAUX TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Mr. Nairn D. 6.40 p.m. 17th June, 1947
No. 31
17th June, 1947. R. 5.15 a.m. 18th June, 1947

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Your telegram No. 7 of June 15th.

Agent at Bayonne has received a wireless message from Paducah to the effect that she will arrive Bayonne at 17.00 hours local time today and will require 150 tons of fuel oil.

I am informed that ship named Northlands is also at Bayonne refitting.

Please inform Paris.

[Repeated to Paris].

[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat].

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No. 8

(Date) June 18

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your telegram no. 31 [of 17th June: illegal immigrant ships]
Please report whether
"PADUCAH" has yet arrived at
BAYONNE.

2. Please confirm report
about "NORTHLANDS" and give
description of ship, name of
local agents, nature and probable
duration of repairs. If necessary
photographs will be sent to
you in order to make sure that
ship at BAYONNE is the "NORTHLANDS"
included in list of suspect
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3. Both ships are strongly suspect and you should make every effort to prevent their departure.

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO BORDEAUX

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D. 10.05 p.m. 18th June 1947

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Your telegram No. 31 [of 17th June: illegal immigrant ships].

Please report whether "Paducah" has yet arrived at Bayonne.

2. Please confirm report about "Northlands" and give description of ship, name of local agents, nature and probable duration of repairs. If necessary photographs will be sent to you in order to make sure that ship at Bayonne is the "Northlands" included in list of suspect shipping.

3. Both ships are strongly suspect and you should make every effort to prevent their departure.

[Copies sent to Middle East Secretariat]

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to E Dept
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dated 11 June
Received 18 June

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E 5231 /48/9		Illegal immigration			
Chancery Buchanan to E Dept 349/6/4Y dated 11 June Received 18 June		Refs to Buchanan 349/6/4Y (E4918/48/9) Reports information regarding ships allegedly preparing for illegal immigration traffic.			
Last Paper. E5230		(Minutes.) body: C.V. } usual names M.I. 5 } 19/6			
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18 JUN 1947
Office of the British
Political Representative,
Bucharest.

11th June, 1947.

Dear Department,

With reference to our telegram No. 576 of June 6th we have obtained information about the following vessels, allegedly preparing for the traffic in illegal immigrants to Palestine.

- a) Lighter unnamed, propelled by two motors, of about 700 tons deadweight, owned by M. Radacovici of Braila, ready for sea in about two months time. At Braila.
- b) Phoenix I, a converted tug, steam-powered, about 100 tons deadweight, cabins built forward and aft for carriage of immigrants, anchored off Braila, ready for sea. Owner is same as above.
- c) Mr. Russu, an engineer of Braila, probably the same person described as Roussos and owner of the "Euxine" in enclosure to Foreign Office printed despatch No. 229 (E 4620/48/G) of 20th May, is having a wooden vessel of some 250 tons deadweight built at Braila. It is to be motor-powered and is reported to be intended for "coastal trade in the eastern Mediterranean". The vessel should be ready for sea in three months time.

Yours ever,
CHANCERY.

Eastern Department,
Foreign Office.

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Marseilles unnumbered Dated 16 June Received 18 June	Suspect shipping: President Warfield Rpts Marseilles to 63 to Paris. Reports that instructions have been issued to prevent sailing of the "President Warfield"
Last Paper. E5231 (E518Y) References.	(Minutes.) We have asked the French authorities to provide a warship to shadow the "President Warfield" if she sails and until H.M.S. Brissenden arrives to take over. Mr. Crossley of our Embassy in Paris tells me that the President du Conseil has been asked to sanction this, but that reply has not yet been received. The "President Warfield" had steam up last night but, so far as is known, has not yet sailed.
(Print.)	<i>Faber</i> (J.E. CASEL) 19/6
(How disposed of.) ② HP	See attached Adm. Tel. from Cin C. med. We have got the P.W. shadowed at least and she will not be let loose in the Mediterranean. I presume she is still in port, as we have heard nothing from Marseilles or Paris, and the Brissenden will have arrived by now.
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FROM MARSEILLES TO PARIS

His Majesty's Consul-General

No. 63.

D. 6. 12 p.m. 16th June, 1947.

16th June, 1947.

R. 12.15 a.m. 17th June, 1947.

REPEATED TO FOREIGN OFFICE UNNUMBERED.

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Your telegram No. 59.

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Jewish Immigration.

Prefecture informed us that local Inscription Maritime have been instructed to prevent departure of President Warfield if possible. Inscription have however warned Prefecture that vessel may be leaving in ballast on Wednesday nominally for Lisbon and that provided she is still fit for coastwise traffic they cannot withhold clearance certificate.

Prefecture have instructed commissar [sic] specially to watch out for possible embarkation.

3. We have learnt today at Port de Bouc that on Saturday director of navigation refused clearance certificate. Ship has nevertheless moved to Caronte near-by today for bunkers.

4. We are keeping ship under observation. If she leaves Wednesday it would be advisable to ensure that Ministry of Marine Merchant has warned all posts South of France particularly Sete.

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From C. in U. Med.

DATE 18/6/47

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Addressed Admiralty
info F.O.L.I.

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BRISSENDEN is being sent to vicinity of Port de
Bouc expected time of arrival 0900B/20.

2. French Naval authorities requested permission
for BRISSENDEN to enter Marseilles and fuel.
3. Consul General Marseilles informed and authorised
to explain reason for visit should he consider this politic.
4. BRISSENDEN instructed to remain outside French
territorial waters unless ordered into Marseilles.
5. A.M. 181323 refers.

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Advance copy sent D.C. R.C.

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FROM

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Illegal Immigration Activities of Pandeleo.
 Refer FV 61 646 (E 5406/48/31) also asked
 6 controllers of Greek Embassy, M. Bonnetator
 to do everything to see to hinder the activities
 of Pandeleo, engaged in purchase of ships for
 illegal immigration, from passenger in his
 activities.

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Palestine.

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British Embassy,

Paris. 19 JUN

16th June, 1947.

E 5201

Dear Sir,

As instructed in your telegram No. 646, we requested the Counsellor of the Greek Embassy, Monsieur Cosmetatos, to do everything he could to hinder the activities of Pandelis. M. Cosmetatos showed the greatest desire to be helpful and thought that he would be able to take effective action, since Pandelis had recently called early in May at the Greek Embassy to ask for their help in obtaining a visa for the United States, where he intended to buy four Liberty ships. He had left his passport at the Greek Embassy for this purpose. M. Cosmetatos was pretty sure that this was an overt transaction as the Greek Government definitely wanted such ships. He did not know much about Pandelis, but he promised to summon him the next day to give him a very severe talking to and find out what he was up to. He also suggested that when ships flying the Greek flag were concerned in illegal traffic, the Greek Embassy could circularise their Consuls in France instructing them to refuse facilities to such ships.

I saw M. Cosmetatos again on the 6th June and the 10th June when he told me that Pandelis had never called at the Greek Embassy for his passport and had not presented himself at the United States Embassy in Paris for a visa for the United States (M. Cosmetatos had thought that he might conceivably have done so on a second passport). He had ascertained that Pandelis had left the Edouard VII Hotel in Paris where he had been staying almost a month previously and that his Secretary who called for mail each morning had been instructed not to reveal his present whereabouts.

I have now received a letter dated June 6th, of which I enclose a copy, from a New York Marine Engineer revealing that Pandelis arrived on May 13th at La Guardia Airfield from Milan where he had secured his visa for the United States. I have today telephoned this message in case you may care to warn our Embassy at Washington.

I also took the opportunity of telling M. Cosmetatos that His Majesty's Government have pressed the Greek Government to take action against Pilides. M. Cosmetatos said that Pilides was not in France, but that if, by any chance, he came, he would be refused facilities by the Greek Embassy. Although I do not know whether an illegal immigrant ship would be greatly embarrassed if the Greek Consulates withheld facilities, I did, for what it is worth, mention we had very strong reasons to suspect the Archangelos and M. Cosmetatos undertook to get in touch with Athens and Marseilles about this ship.

Meanwhile/

J.G.S. Beltr, Esq.,

Eastern Department,

Foreign Office. S.W.1.

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M. Cosmetatos has drawn the attention of Athens to the information concerning the AGIA ANASTASIA. (Bucharest telegram No. 876 to you).

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G.A. Crossley.

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P. SPHAELLOS Engineer
Mechanical-Structural-Marine
Commissions
4-6 Platt St., New York. 7.

To the First Secretary of the
British Embassy, June 6th, 1947.
Paris, France.

Dear Sir:

Knowing that you are interested in the activities of the Compania Mediterranea de Vapores, Limitada, and particularly in its administrator Mr. Jean Pandelis of Bucharest, Romania, and at the same time wishing to keep my record clear of any connection with the aforesaid individual and his activities, I take the liberty to enclose herein copy of my letter to the First Secretary of the American Embassy in Paris, France, which I believe clarifies my position.

Very truly yours,

P. SPHAELLOS

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June 4th, 1947.

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To the -
First Secretary of the American Embassy,
Paris,
France.

Dear Sir:

At about the beginning of last month,
I sent you a cablegram recommending the granting of
a visa to a certain JEAN PANDELIS, a Greek subject,
of Bucharest, Romania. I mentioned that the
purpose of his visit was to buy a certain type of ship
which the U.S. Maritime Commission offers for sale.

On May 13th, Mr. Pandelis arrived at La
Guardia Field from Milan, Italy, where he secured a
visa to visit the U.S.A. Although the fact that the
visa had not been granted by the Paris Legation
relieves me of any responsibility for Mr. Pandelis'
trip and his activities, nevertheless, I feel
compelled to inform you that I have severed my business
relations with him, which were of very short duration,
and I am in no way connected with him or participating
in his enterprises.

Yours very truly,

P. SPHAELLOS

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Jewish Illegal Immigration.

Greek ship owner ~~Jean~~ Pandelis of Bucharest is reported to have arrived in the United States from Italy on May 13th for the purpose of purchasing four Liberty ships. He was the owner of the "AGIA ANASTASIA" which was involved in the traffic in 1946. H.M. Embassy at Paris asked the Greek Embassy there to issue a warning to P. and ~~denied~~ ^{deny} him facilities, when he was ~~there~~ ^{in Paris} recently, but he evaded contact with the Greek Embassy and apparently secured a visa for the United States in Italy. His Company is called, ~~the~~ "Compañia Mediterranea de Vapores and by H.M. Embassy at Paris information has been received about his arrival in the United States from P. Sphaellos, Marine Engineer of 4/6, Platt St, New York.

2. Pandelis is well known to be involved in the ^{illegal} Jewish immigration traffic and you should ask your Greek colleagues to keep a watch on his activities and to deny him facilities. You should also ask the American authorities not to sell shipping to Pandelis except on proof that it is to be used for bona fide trade.

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO WASHINGTON.

No. 6039.

18th June 1947.

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Paris, No.1301 Saving.

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Jewish Illegal Immigration.

Greek ship owner Jean Pandelis of Bucharest is reported to have arrived in the United States from Italy on May 13th for the purpose of purchasing four Liberty ships. He was the owner of the "Agia Anastasia" which was involved in the traffic in 1946. His Majesty's Embassy at Paris asked the Greek Embassy there to issue a warning to Pandelis and deny him facilities, when he was in Paris recently, but he evaded contact with the Greek Embassy and apparently secured a visa for the United States in Italy. His Company is called "Compania Mediterranea de Vapores" and information has been received by His Majesty's Embassy at Paris about his arrival in the United States from P. Sphaellos, Marine Engineer of 4/6, Platt St., New York.

2. Pandelis is well known to be involved in the Jewish illegal immigration traffic and you should ask your Greek colleague to keep a watch on his activities and to deny him facilities. You should also ask the American authorities not to sell shipping to Pandelis except on proof that it is to be used for bona fide trade.

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President Truman's Statement on Palestine.

Re: W. H. H. 8273 and 8274 (E 4906/48/31)
 after President Truman's statement, has called
 forth considerable attacks in Zionist quarters.
 from participants of same. According to
 the press.

Last Paper.

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Eastern Department
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WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

13th June 1947

Ref: 200/262/47

Dear Department,

Please refer to our telegrams Nos.3273 and 3274 of 6th June concerning President Truman's statement about incitement to violence in Palestine. This statement has, not surprisingly, called forth counter-blasts in Zionist quarters. According to the press, the American Zionist Emergency Council declared that it would be most helpful if the President would also call upon the Mandatory Government to cease its illegal acts which were at the very root of the disturbances in Palestine. Former Senator Guy Gillette, President of the American League for a Free Palestine, said that the only way to avoid further violence in Palestine was to eradicate the causes provoking that violence - by which he meant of course British policy in the country. A similar position was taken by the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation, which said that it would continue to attempt to move Jews from Europe to Palestine and to support the Palestinian resistance movement. The Palestine Resistance Committee (which has in fact gone into liquidation) also made a statement to the effect that the President's request was an invasion of the civil rights of Americans. This may be considered as a further pronouncement by the American League for a Free Palestine.

2. Reference was made to the British note to the United Nations on illegal immigration by Dr. David Petegrosky, Executive Director of the American Jewish Congress. He said that this request was an attempt to prejudice a problem now under international consideration. He accused the British Government of using the United Nations to sanction its own illegal

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Eastern Department,
Foreign Office,
London, S.W.1.

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acts and asserted that the only authoritative international judgment on the British White Paper was that of the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations which, in 1939, declared that the British ban on Jewish immigration into Palestine was illegal. He predicted that the British action would cause people throughout the world to wonder in alarm whether the big powers were to be permitted with impunity to prejudice judgment on issues under United Nations considerations.

We are sending copies of this letter to Jerusalem and the U.K. Delegation to the United Nations at New York.

Yours ever,

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Illegal immigration

Cairo
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Dated 16 June
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ships suspected of engaging
in illegal immigration traffic.

Last Paper.

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Mr. [unclear] M.I.S.
26 June

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(Minutes.)

Refers to: Mr. Evered (Cabinet Officer)
Mr. Higham (C.O.)
M.I.S. (Mr. Scher)
Min. of Fuel & Power

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His Majesty's Ambassador presents his compliments to
His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
and has the honour to transmit herewith copies of the under-
mentioned paper.

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
CAIRO.

16th June, 1947 20 JUN 1947

Reference to previous communication: *E/Heen*

Cairo printed despatch No. 481 of 3.6.47.
Description of Enclosure.

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FROM: NOKRASHY PASHA Letter No. 1.1/47 of 11.6.47.	Denial of bunker coal to ships suspected of engaging in Jewish illegal immigration traffic to Palestine.
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Cairo, 11th June, 1947.

Excellency,

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my very high consideration.

PRESIDENT
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

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E5348/48/C		Suspect shipping: s.s. Paducah 30			
Bordeaux 33		Refs to F.O. @ 8 (E5330/48/C) Reports that Paducah has arrived at Rayonne. s.s. Northland is also there.			
Dated 19 June Received 20 June					
Last Paper. E5338		(Minutes.) I have sent a photograph of the Northlands to the consulate-general by air-mail and have had this telegram retransmitted to Paris. Mr. Schen is sending us another copy of the photograph for future reference			
References.		(Print.) See within 1. Adm 181546A/vine 18 June			
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DEPARTMENTAL NO. 1.

FROM BORDEAUX TO FOREIGN OFFICE

His Majesty's Consul.
No. 33.

D. 5.00. p.m. 19th June
1947.
R. 9.10. a.m. 20th June
1947.

19th June 1947.

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Your telegram No. 8.

Paducah arrived Bayonne at 500 hours June 18th.

2. It is confirmed that a ship named Northland is at Bayonne and that local agent is Duverdier. I am informed that this ship is being adapted for transport of passengers but I will obtain confirmation.

3. I am informed that both vessels will remain at Bayonne for approximately 1 month.

4. I hope to forward photographs and descriptions of both vessels at an early date.

5. I am led to infer that various other vessels suspected of being engaged in illegal Jewish immigration will arrive at Bayonne in the near future; any information will be forwarded immediately.

6. Local authorities insist that a Ministerial order is essential in order to prevent departure of vessels.

7. Please inform Paris.

[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat.

[Note by Communications Department: No action taken regarding repetition to Paris.]

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BOX No. 500,
PARLIAMENT STREET B.O.,
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20th June, 1947.

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Dear Cable,

I enclose for your use a copy of a
photograph of the NORTHLAND(S).

Yours sincerely,

D.J. Schen

J.E. Cable, Esq.,
Foreign Office.

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Date. 18.6.47

From. F.O Gibraltar.

Reed. 2115

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Addressed. C. in C Med.
Info. Admiralty. N.O.I.C. Port Said. F.O.L.I. Greek Mil.
for B.C.I.S.

My 161310. Following additional information on
PADUCAH is forwarded, photograph in Janes 1944-1945 page 500.

- (A) Hull black, upperworks white funnels yellow.
- (B) Dummy funnel immediately abaft and same height as one shown is separated by a few feet only, and may be removable.
- (C) Rows of cabins with doors port and starboard on boat deck level.

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Illegal immigration

*Lord Sowerth
W'ton
3519*

*Refs to W'ton to 3506 (E5295/48/9)
Reports conversation with
Mr Joy Henderson.*

*Dated 19 June
Received 21 June*

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DEPARTMENTAL NO. 2.

FROM WASHINGTON TO FOREIGN OFFICE.

Lord Inverchapel.
No. 3519.

D. 7.31 p.m. 19th June 1947.

19th June 1947.

R. 2.20 a.m. 20th June 1947.

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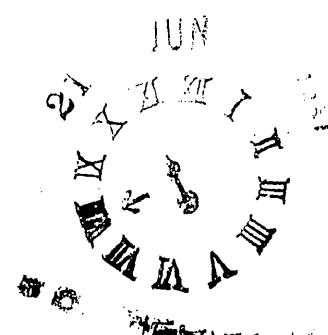
My telegram No. 3506.

Jewish illegal immigration.

Member of my staff saw Loy Henderson today and gave him aide memoire based on your telegram No. 6039 and upon further information mentioned in my telegram under reference Henderson confirmed that he had also received this further information and undertook to have the whole matter energetically investigated.

Foreign Office please pass Saving Paris as my telegram No. 144.

[Repeated Saving to Paris.]



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Lord Inverchapel
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Lord Suverchapel W'ton 3539 Dated 20 June Received 21 June		Illegal immigration Reps to W'ton 3519 (E5344/48/C) Reports application by Whickersham + chance for purchase of L.S.Ts.	
Last Paper. E5381		(Minutes.) Now see E5551 27/6	
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No. 6173

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your telegram no. 3534 [of
20th June] about purchase of
ships for Jewish illegal
immigration. to Palestine

2. "COMPANIA de NAVEGACION
Y CREDITO" are definitely suspect.
PANDELIS is himself connected
with the firm and has tried
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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO WASHINGTON

No:6173

21st June 1947

D.2.45 p.m. 21st June 1947

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Your telegram No:3539 [of 20th June].

Jewish illegal immigration.

2. "Compania de Navegacion y Credito" are definitely suspect. Pandelis is himself connected with the firm and has tried to get Lucraft, who is also involved in the traffic nominated as a director. Pandelis has been connected with ships which have actually reached Palestine with illegal immigrants.

3. You might point out that these landing craft are of little use for legitimate trade (being unsuited to loading in harbours) but are especially suitable for the clandestine embarkation of illegal immigrants from beaches.

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E5405/48/C		Illegal immigration: Italy			
Sir N. Charles Rome 1346 Dated 19 June Received 23 June		Refs to Rome despatch (E5405/48/C) Report's proposal to hold meeting of all interested Italian Departments.			
Last Paper.		(Minutes.)			
E 5381		(though they say they would do this if necessary)			
References.		I think the suggestion made in paragraph 3 of this telegram is a very suitable one. It would not be easy for the Home Office to provide an officer from the United Kingdom to act as an adviser to the Italians (see our telegram on E 4989/48/31). An expert from the British Zone of Austria would have experience of frontier conditions and could be a useful link with the Italian authorities.			
E4522/48/C		I attach a draft telegram welcoming the suggestion.			
E4989/48/31		Italian Section. 5:25			
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8) HP 1346		24th June, 1947.			
10) Rome 1346		I agree; but I think we must leave it to Vienna at least until we have heard their views.			
26 June		P.A. THOMPSON 26.6			
Refugee Dept. Vienna 827		Tel. sent			
8) HP		JB June 26			
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DEPARTMENTAL NO. 2.

Sir N. Charles. D. 10.07. a.m. G.M.T. June 20th,
No. 1346. 1947.
 June 19th, 1947. R. 4.50. p.m. D.B.S.T. June 20th,
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Your telegram No. 1175.

You will have seen from my despatch No. 248 June 11th that I had addressed a note to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs urging immediate measures to tighten control on the northern frontier. The first reactions of the Ministry to this letter have been favourable and Counsellor was told a few days ago that they were considering calling a meeting of the interested Italian Departments to which a representative of the Embassy might be invited.

2. We hope these proposed discussions give an opportunity to co-operate in your suggestion of a British expert to advise the Italian authorities on frontier control. Any frontal attack on this point which concerns the Italian amour propre would almost certainly cause resentment. I hope you will therefore allow us more time before replying definitely to your suggestion.

3. Italian condemnation about illegal immigration to Italy has always been that Allied Commission authorities in Austria (especially United States and French) were largely to blame. On the authority of your telegram No. 1099 I have told Minister for Foreign Affairs that His Majesty's Government would strongly support any representations by the Italian Government to neighbouring Governments. Following up this line British expert might therefore best take the form of an official representing British zone of Austria and his overt task would be liaison between British authorities in Austria and Italian Frontier authorities. I should be grateful for your views and for those of British element in Austria. Please repeat to Vienna as my telegram No. 10.

[Repeated to Vienna.]

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H. M. Ambassador,
Rome.

Telegram.

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Cmdr. Evershed
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Despatched 4.50p M.

Your telegram No. 1346 [of June
19th: Jewish illegal immigration].

The suggestion contained in
paragraph 3 of your telegram seems to
us a useful one and we hope that an
expert from Austria can be spared

for this task. An officer from the UK could
be provided if necessary.

2. As regards the question of
improved control on the other side of
the Italian frontier, you might

perhaps ^{tell} the Italian authorities of
French action reported in
the ~~last~~ Vienna despatch No. 73

of the 2nd June, which ~~reporting~~
~~the recent vigilance of the French~~
~~authorities in this matter.~~ indicates

that the authorities of the
French zone of Austria are
doing their best to prevent
clandestine transit traffic.

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO ROME

No. 1326

26th June, 1947

D. 4.50 p.m. 27th June, 1947

Repeated to Vienna No. 827

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Your telegram No. 1346 [of 19th June: Jewish illegal immigration].

The suggestion contained in paragraph 3 of your telegram seems to us a useful one and we hope that an expert from Austria can be spared for this task. An officer from the United Kingdom could be provided if necessary.

2. As regards the question of improved control on the other side of the Italian frontier, you might perhaps tell the Italian authorities of French action reported in Vienna despatch No. 73 of the 2nd June, which indicates that the authorities of the French zone of Austria are doing their best to prevent clandestine transit traffic.

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<p>Last Paper. E 5405</p> <p>References.</p> <p>(Print.)</p>	<p>Suspect shipping: S.S. Paducah and Northands</p> <p>Refs to Bordeaux to 33 (E 5348/48/C)</p> <p>Given descriptions of Paducah & Northands.</p>	
<p>RPTD (Paris) 1182 8) IIP</p> <p>Yel) Bordeaux no 10.</p> <p>June 23</p> <p>Rptd Paris 1182</p> <p>Rome 1293.</p> <p>8) I.I.P.</p>	<p>(Minutes.)</p> <p>The description of the "Northlands" agrees with that in the list, including the name of the captain, so I think she must be the same one.</p> <p>M.I.5 tell me that all their efforts to discover her true registry have failed, so I submit telegram to BORDEAUX asking consul-general to find out.</p> <p>Repeated to Paris</p> <p>23/6</p> <p>J.B. June 23</p>	
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DEPARTMENTAL No. 1.

FROM BORDEAUX TO FOREIGN OFFICE

His Majesty's Consul General

No. 34

D. Untimed

20th June, 1947.

R. 9.54 a.m. 21st June, 1947.

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My telegram No. 33.

Northlands arrived at Bayonne June 16th from Port de Bouc. Description: 320 tons nett, black hull, grey super structure, no funnel name not visible, flying Panama flag, Master named Mitchel.

2. Description Paducah: 622 tons nett, black hull, white super structure, 2 orange funnels, Panama flag, Master named Papzert. Ship is well stocked with food.

3. Photographs will be forwarded by bag.

4. Please inform Paris.

[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat.]

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your telegram no. 34 of 20th
June: illegal immigrant ships
at BAYONNE

Your information makes it
clear that ship at BAYONNE
is the "NORTHLANDS" in the
list of suspect shipping. Photograph
was sent to you by air-mail
on 21st June.

2. Panamanian Govt.
have informed us that "NORTHLANDS"
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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO BORDEAUX

D.11.30 a.m. 24th June, 1947.

No.10

23rd June, 1947.

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Your telegram No.34 [of 20th June: illegal
immigrant ships at Bayonne]

Your information makes it clear that ship at
Bayonne is the "Northlands" in the list of suspect
shipping. Photograph was sent to you by air-mail on
21st June.

2. Panamanian Government have informed us that "
"Northlands" was transferred to Swedish registry in
1942. Please investigate what right she has to fly
Panamanian flag.

3. Your paragraph 4: please add to your
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Last Paper. E5406	(Minutes.)		
References. E512/48/G	<p>1. BRUSSELS 237 20 June.</p> <p>This information has already gone to Marseilles and Paris. Please see E5035.</p> <p>In para. 2 of our original despatch (at E3756) we told all posts to send in weekly reports. For the last fortnight, however, Brussels has been the only post to do so. Should we remind the remainder?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. H. B. (C.F. CAB/LE) 23/6</p> <p>I think we can leave this. Posts are reporting on an ad hoc basis.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JB June 23</p> <p>2. H. Croxley Paris to Mr. Beith 72/353/47 25 June</p> <p>Copy to M.F. 5 (Mr. Schen) Letter to Paris</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. H. B. 28/6</p>		
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FROM BRUSSELS TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Sir H. Knatchbull-Hugessen.

No. 237

D.11.55 a.m. 20th June, 1947

20th June, 1947. R. 4.00 p.m. 20th June, 1947

Repeated to Jerusalem

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My telegram No. 232.

Weekly report.

"Aegean Star" left Antwerp on June 15th for Marseilles without passengers.

Foreign Office please repeat to Jerusalem as my telegram No.6.

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for transmission to Jerusalem].

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British Embassy,

Paris.

25th June, 1947.

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My dear John,

I enclose a copy of a letter dated 18th June which we have received from Marseilles giving us a report on suspect shipping there. Marseilles are sending such a report to us each week.

I am a little confused by difference between Marseilles' reports and the weekly lists you are sending us. For instance your weekly list No. 7 despatched on 20th June mentions the Archangelos and the Bruna at Marseilles and the President Warfield at Port de Bouc, but makes no mention of the Salamis, the Luciano or the Anna Maria.

Am I to assume that the information provided by Marseilles is available to those compiling the weekly lists in London, and that where a vessel mentioned by Marseilles is excluded from the London list it is because London has decided that the vessel is no longer suspect?

This assumption would answer only part of the problem, as the Archangelos, featuring in your list No. 7 is not mentioned by Marseilles, and the information given by Marseilles concerning the "Amoy" is fuller and more up to date than yours. Their report on the "Attiki" is also more up to date.

In cases where there is no clear reason why you should have discarded more up to date information provided by Marseilles I am passing it to the French. Perhaps you will let me know whether you agree with this and also let me have your comments on the other aspects mentioned above.

A copy of this letter goes to His Majesty's Consul-General, Marseilles.

G.A. Crossley

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The Chancery
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British Consulate-General,
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18th June, 1947.

Dear Chancery,

Jewish illegal immigration. The following is a report on the position at Marseilles as at 18th June, 1947:-

"PRESIDENT WARFIELD" - We have reported fully on this ship by telegram.

"SALAMIS" (Salvador) - No apparent change. The ship has received a daubing of minium for protection purposes. No outward sign of activity; still at same berth.

"BRUNA" - A miniature "Promenade" deck surrounded by a hand rail has been arranged on top of the midship passenger accommodation and ventilators down to the passenger accommodation are being fitted.

"LUCIANO" - Bows are high, presumably for facilitating the painting of the hull. A boat is alongside and from the distance it seemed that painting was in progress. The passenger accommodation is being boarded up and windows are being fitted.

"AEGEAN STAR" - This ship is listed to arrive here on 22nd June and, according to advertisements, is to operate a regular passenger service from Marseilles to Piraeus and Alexandria. The first departure will be on 25th June. (The agents are "Cremieux" and the ship is described as a "paquebot de luxe". Tonnage unknown).

"AMOY" - The owners are "Comptoir Oranias de Consignation" and Marseilles agents are "Compagnie de Navigation Mixte". Left Oran on 31st May with freight and is due to operate to a regular circular freight service, Oran, Sète, Marseilles. Arrived at Marseilles and left for Oran on the same day with 200 tons of cement. Now expected at Sète from Oran and is due to return 18th June - 2nd July. Compagnie Mixte gives no grounds for suspicion.

"ATTIKI" - (British Flag) Listed for departures on 8th and 29th July for Piraeus, Alexandria, Limassol and Beyrouth with passengers and freight. (Agents are Estrine).

"ANNA MARIA" - (Agents Poseidon) Due to leave Marseilles on 19th June with passengers and freight for Lisbon. She is due to operate a regular service between Genoa, Marseilles and Lisbon. (Italian Flag)

The Chancery,
British Embassy,
Paris.

Yours ever,
Marseilles.

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Mr. G.A. Crossley
Paris Embassy
from
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The information on the "AMOY" and "ATTIKI" has been passed on to the Departments concerned.

I am sending a copy of this letter to H.B. Consul-General at Marseilles.

Yours sincerely

J.E. Gable

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Yours sincerely,
Sd.

(J. E. Cable)

G. A. Crossley, Esq.,
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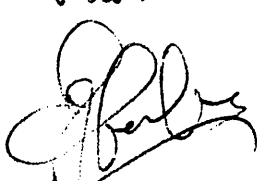
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(E5381) Last Paper. E5407 (E5295) References. (Print.) (How disposed of.) 8) IIP temp done	<div style="text-align: center;">(Minutes.)</div> <p>Pandelis only runs 2 ships on the suspect list (ofant from the U.S.T. is trying to buy now). These are the "LAS TAMPAWAS", whose registry is believed to be Rumanian (M.I. 5) are trying to confirm this) and an unknown schooner, whose registry is also unknown.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  <small>CTE-CABLE</small> <small>23/6</small> </div> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;"> JB June 23 </div>	
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DEPARTMENTAL NO. 2.

FROM WASHINGTON TO FOREIGN OFFICE.

Lord Inverchapel.
No. 3567.

20th June 1947.

D. 6.49 p.m. 21st June 1947.
R. 1.00 a.m. 22nd June 1947.

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Jewish Illegal Immigration.

If indication is confirmed that Pandelis is operating ships under Panamanian or some other Latin American flag you may care to instruct His Majesty's Representatives at Panama and Managua (or at other capitals if they appear to be implicated) to approach the government to which they are accredited and request that neither directly nor indirectly shall Pandelis be allowed to register or run any ships under their flag.

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